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COLLECTOR'S UPDATE - DECEMBER, 2003

1792 QUARTER DOLLAR REPRO NOW IN PRODUCTION

1792 PATTERN COIN SET NOW COMPLETE

With the release of the 1792 Quarter Dollar the set of five 1792 reproductions from GMM is now complete. The set includes the Birch Cent, the Silver Center Cent, the Half Disme Disme and, the finally the Quarter Dollar designed by Joseph Wright. A simple and elegant design by an artist appointed as the first Chief Engraver of the U S Mint these pattern pieces represent the very first experiments in U S comage. Other pattern coins were produced with the same date bearing the likeness of George Washington, but Washington dismissed them summarily insisting that U S coins carry an "impression emblematic of liberty" in particular, an "ideal head of Liberty."

He was so adamant about it, he refused to sign the bill to enact a national mint until the wording concerning design themes was changed. Washington was a humble man and realized the very notion of liberty could not have room to idolize leaders as was the practice with European monarchs and Czars. He in fact con

$28

1792 QUARTER DOLLAR PATTERN

sidered himself to be a public servant.

The Mint Act of 1792 was finally passed with the wording changed from "Head of the President" to "Impression emblematic of Liberty." Surprisingly this part of the original legislation of 1792 has not changed. Today special laws have to be passed through Congress

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FIRST ROMAN COIN REPRODUCTION FROM GALLERY MINT

This one came at the request of Lane Brunner a professor at the University of Texas and ANA Summer Seminar instructor of "Coins in the Classroom." Lane teaches a course in numismatics at the university and often covers the "Ides of March" coin in lectures he gives.

$20

4 grams .999 fine silver. The "Ides of March" denarius coin memorates the assassination of Julius Ceasar

What he described as the "1804 dollar of Roman comage" is a denarius produced 2000 years ago commemorating the assassination of Julius Ceasar and bears the likeness of Brutus with the legend, BRUT IMP (Brutus, Imperator) the other L. PLAET CEST indicates the coiner who issued the piece. On the reverse side is the image of two daggers symbolizing Brutus and Cassius the co-conspirators in the assassination. The "freedman's cap" in the center symbolizes Rome being liberated.

The reproductions are roughly 20 mm diameter, struck in .999 fine silver (about 4 grams) and are now available for $20 each.

1792 Pattern Quarter continued

to replace the eagle with a bicentennial theme or state quarter design program for example

Joseph Wright was Thomas Jefferson's first choice for the position of Chief Engraver but fate would not have it that way. Before Wright's appointment was confirmed he fell victim to yellow fever. Had he survived early U.S. coin designs would most likely have taken a very different direction. His simple elegant depiction of Miss Liberty is arguably the most artistic rendition ever to appear on the denomination.

Original examples of the 1792 quarter dollar are extremely rare and only exist as die trials in copper and white metal. The Gallery Mint reproductions are struck in silver, the same weight and alloy as the first circulating quarters produced at the U.S. Mint in 1796. They are also produced with a reeded edge, unlike the originals, so they are a better representation of what the coin would have looked like had it actually gone into production in the early Mint.

The reproduction 1792 pattern quarters are available for $28 shipping included (within U.S.). The reverse design is also very nice, featuring an eagle perched on a globe and a border consisting of 87 tiny stars. The pattern coins of 1792 represent the very first experiments in official U.S. coinage. You'll want two of each. One with the mandatory COPY stamp on the reverse, and one with the stamp on the obverse side. In fact, you can purchase the complete five piece set for $112.

Museum Building Fund Gains Ground

Our last mailing was somewhat a 'call to arms' to our supporters to help us finance the building of our long planned museum of minting technology. We were met with quite a mixed response, but in general, were quite surprised with the level of encouragement and support from our friends. Nice notes, folks donating their orders, and donations continue to come in. Most notably Bill Jameson, a carver of hobo nickels, donated his time by carving a hobo nickel with the likeness of Ron Landis, our Chief Engraver. He auctioned it on E-Bay and donated the $100 proceeds to our building fund. Thank you Bill, from all of us at GMM for your generous gift.

Bill Fivaz, a long time friend of ours, also donated $100 out of pocket for the cause. Remember these donations are NOT tax deductible. We are NOT a non-profit organization. We truly believe this can be a self-supporting endeavor. As a free enterprise, we have much more flexibility to branch into different areas. The donated monies will be deposited in our special account earmarked for the construction of a museum that will help preserve obsolete techniques of coin making and die engraving as a living art that can be passed on for generations. We would also like to thank all the other folks who have added an extra 5 or 10 dollars to their order for the museum project. These donations will also go directly into our museum fund.

An extra box has been added to the order form where people can add a donation to the cause. All these donations will be deposited into our building fund.

Sign up now for GMM Auction Catalog

The much anticipated auction of rare and unique items produced at Gallery Mint is almost ready. Mike Ellis has been busy photographing and cataloging 150 lots that will be offered in the auction that will be ready about mid January of 2004.

The auction will include many rare die trials of 'concept dollars' (prototype patterns of the new golden dollars) and many real error pieces. Several examples of discontinued items including a complete set of 1793 copper reproductions will be auctioned.

To take part in the auction, sign up for a catalog either by phone, mail, or by e-mail at

gmm@arkansas.net

Auction lots will also be able to be viewed online at Verne Walrafen's website at

www.grasshoppernet.com/walrafen/gmm.html

The auction is part of our on-going effort to raise the necessary funds to build our new museum facility.

Doe Brothers CD Receives "Rave Reviews"

The fust recording produced by Gallery Mint partners Joe Rnst and Ron Landis has been receiving rave reviews from our regional entertainment papers and from GMM customers who purchased one on a whim and ended up playing it on continuous loop.

The CD has helped land the boys some nice concert dates including the recent Sam Bush (master mandolinist) concert at the Eureka Springs City Auditorium. Sam Bush even came out and picked one with the Bros. The following weekend the Doe Brothers played a live broadcast on Mike Shirkey's "Folk Sampler" as a fund raiser for the local NPR station.

If you like music at all, you'll like this CD. It's just plain good music. If you don t have one yet, go ahead and order one and help us build the museum. The CDs are still available for $15 and can be ordered from GMM.

"Once Upon a Dime" Exhibit Opens at The Newark Museum

A special exhibit entitled "Once Upon a Dime" is now showing at the Newark Museum through 2005. As part of the exhibit, Gallery Mint has leased a screw press to the museum to be used as a demonstration in coin making. The museum has many other interactive exhibits and has been quite popular among the many school groups who have visited so far.

Special dies were created that are being used to strike small medals in pewter and silver. The obverse features the Winged Liberty design, more commonly referred to as the "Mercury Dime" while the reverse bears the logo of the Newark Museum.

Pewter examples can be purchased for $2.50 each, while silver pieces can be acquired for $19.95. They can be ordered by mail at:

Newark Museum
49 Washington Street
Newark, NJ 07102

Or, call the museum's gift shop at 973-596-6678.

The exhibit is free, but the museum asks for a $5 donation from adults, and a $2 donation for children, senior citizens, and students.

For more information, go to www.newarkmuseum.org.

New Improved Mini-Mint to Debut at FUN Show

Special Exhibit Now for Hire

We've been busy giving the GMM 'Mini-Mint' a long needed make-over. A fancy four color paint job on all the machinery and nickel plating on parts previously prone to heavy rusting between engagements will give the exhibit a new, exciting look.

The exhibit has been shown at several coin shows throughout the country. It is used in a hands-on mini-seminar at the annual summer seminar of the American Numismatic Association where students actually create their own medals and error strikes.

The mini-mint is a table top exhibit that demonstrates the entire minting process from raw metal to finished product. The pewter tokens produced on the hand operated equipment are given away to attendees of the shows. Raw pewter is cast into bars which are then rolled into long, thin strips on a rolling mill. The strips are cut into planchets on one of the hand operated screw presses and then receive a lettered edge in a small edge mill similar to the Castaing machines used at the first U.S. Mint. In the final step, the planchets are struck in a second screw press. All the machinery except the rolling mill are manually operated and of the same type used at the first U.S. Mint from 1793-1836.

Hand engraving is also demonstrated by our engraver, Rou Lauchs. The exhibit makes for an interesting and educational attraction for coin shows.

The exhibit is now for hire, and can be set up for your coin show, club meeting, bank opening, or other special events. The price includes a special die created for your event, and enough materials to create hundreds of tokens for your guests. Call GMM for scheduling information and prices.

The GMM "Mini-Mint" at the recent Summer Seminar of the American Numismatic Assn. The "Creative Errors" course has been a very popular mini seminar at the annual conference.

Price Adjustments Made as Gold Tops $400 Mark

Due to the recent increase in the price of gold, we have found it necessary to increase the price of our gold reproductions and other gold pieces. The new order form in this mailing lists all the new prices. This is the first time we've needed to raise prices on gold pieces since 1995.

COLUMN A

PATTERN 1792 REPRODUCTIONS

QTY.	ITEM COPY stamp on	REV.	OBV.	PRICE	TOTAL
	1792 SILVER CENTER CENT			$20	
	1792 BIRCH CENT			$20	
	1792 HALF DISME (SILVER)			$20	
	1792 DISME (SILVER)			$20	
	NEW! 1792 PATTERN QUARTER	✓	✓	$28	56

UNCIRCULATED 1794 REPRODUCTIONS AUCT.

QTY.	ITEM COPY stamp on	REV.	OBV.	PRICE	TOTAL
	1794 HALF CENT			$12	
	1794 CENT (STARRED REV. VARIETY)			$12	
	1794 HALF DIME (FLOWING HAIR TYPE)			$19	
	1794 HALF DOLLAR (FLOWING HAIR TYPE)			$27	
	1794 DOLLAR (FLOWING HAIR TYPE)			$35	
	1794 UNCIRCULATED SET IN DELUXE DISPLAY BOX COMPLETE 5 PIECE BOXED SET			$112	
	1794 PROOF SET LIMITED EDITION OF 940 SETS			$165	

UNCIRCULATED 1796 REPRODUCTIONS

QTY.	ITEM COPY stamp on	REV.	OBV.	PRICE	TOTAL
	1796 HALF CENT (WITH POLE)			$12	
	1796 HALF CENT (NO POLE)			$12	
	1796 LIBERTY CAP CENT			$12	
	1796 DRAPED BUST CENT			$12	
	1796 HALF DIME			$16	
	1796 DIME			$19	
	1796 QUARTER DOLLAR			$22	
	1796 HALF DOLLAR (15 STARS)			$27	
	1796 HALF DOLLAR (16 STARS)			$27	
	1796 SILVER DOLLAR			$35	
	1796 QUARTER EAGLE (NO STARS)			$105	
	1796 QUARTER EAGLE (W/STARS)			$105	
	1796 HALF EAGLE			$21	
	1796 EAGLE			$325	

MISCELLANEOUS U.S. AND COLONIAL REPROS

QTY.	ITEM COPY stamp on	REV.	OBV.	PRICE	TOTAL
	1787 FUGIO CENT			$12	
	1799 DRAPED BUST CENT			$12	
	PROOF 1804 DOLLAR WITH BOX	X		$50	
	UNC. 1804 DOLLAR WITH BOX	X		$40	
	TWO PIECE SET 1804 DOLLARS IN BOX	X		$90	
	1838 CORONET CENT W / A.N.A. REV			$12	
	A.N.A. SILVER HAMMERED MEDAL			$15	

TOTAL COLUMN A:

COLUMN B

REPRODUCTION BRASHER DOUBLOONS

When specifying which side to place the COPY stamp on, the eagle is the side with the eagle. If you prefer to have the copy stamp on the "mountain side" of the piece, check the COPY box.

QTY.	ITEM COPY stamp on	REV.	OBV.	PRICE	TOTAL
	1787 BRASHER DOUBLOON EIS ON WING 26.5 GRAMS 22K GOLD			$435	
	1787 BRASHER DOUBLOON EIS ON BREAST 26.5 GRAMS 22K GOLD			$435	
	1787 BRASHER HALF DOUBLOON 13.25 GRAMS 22K GOLD			$225	

HOBO TOKENS

ITEM			PRICE	TOTAL
2003 HOBO TOKEN (STYLE 1) SILVER INDIAN HEAD W / "ELEPHANT" REVERSE			$12	
2003 HOBO TOKEN (STYLE 2) SILVER IRON LADIES PORTRAIT W/ BUFFALO REV.			$12	

ANCIENT REPRODUCTIONS

QTY.	ITEM COPY stamp on	REV.	OBV.	PRICE	TOTAL
	DIDRACHM OF ATHENS (SILVER)			$15	
	TETRADRACHM OF ATHENS (SILVER)			$25	
	DECADRACHM OF ATHENS (SILVER)			$40	
	THREE PIECE SET OF ATHENS COINS			$80	
	NEW! ROMAN IDES OF MARCH COIN			$29	

DISPLAY BOXES

1794 SET BOX FOR 5 PIECE OR 10 PIECE SET (circle one)	$125	
1796 SET BOX FOR 10 PIECE OR 14 PIECE SET (circle one)	$125	
PAPER BOX W/CAPSULES FOR 1794 SETS	$7	

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	1792 SILVER CENTER CENT			$29	
	1792 F CH CENT			$29	
	1792 HALF DISME (SILVER)			$29	
	1792 DISME (SILVER)			$24	
	NEW! 1792 PATTERN QUARTER			$29	

UNCIRCULATED 1794 REPRODUCTIONS

QTY.	ITEM COPY stamp on	REV.	OBV.	PRICE	TOTAL
	1794 HALF CENT			$12	
	1794 CENT (STARRED REV.VARIETY)			$12	
	1794 HALF DIME (FLOWING HAIR TYPE)			$16	
	1794 HALF DOLLAR (FLOWING HAIR TYPE)			$27	
	1794 DOLLAR (FLOWING HAIR TYPE)			$36	
	1794 UNCIRCULATED SET IN DISPLAY BOX COMPLETE 5 PIECE BOXED SET			$112	
	1794 PROOF SET LIMITED EDITION OF 940 SETS			$145	

UNCIRCULATED 1795 REPRODUCTIONS

QTY.	ITEM COPY stamp on	REV.	OBV.	PRICE	TOTAL
	1795 HALF CENT (W/POLE)			$12	
	1795 HALF CENT (NO POLE)			$12	
	1795 LIBERTY CAP CENT			$12	
	1795 DRAPED BUST CENT			$12	
	1795 HALF DIME			$16	
	1795 DIME			$19	
	1795 QUARTER DOLLAR			$22	
	1795 HALF DOLLAR (15 STARS)			$27	
	1795 HALF DOLLAR (16 STARS)			$27	
	1795 SILVER DOLLAR			$36	
	1795 QUARTER EAGLE (NO STARS)			$105	
	1795 QUARTER EAGLE (W/STARS)			$105	
	1795 HALF EAGLE			$2	
	1795 EAGLE			$325	

MISCELLANEOUS U.S. AND COLONIAL REPROS

QTY	ITEM COPY stamp on	REV	OBV	PR CE	TOTAL
	1787 FUG O CENT			$12	
	1799 DRAPED BUST CENT			$12	
	PROOF 1804 DOLLAR W TH BOX		X	$59	
	UNC. 1804 DOLLAR WITH BOX		X	$40	
	TWO PIECE SET 1804 DOLLARS IN BOX		X	$90	
	1836 CORONET CENT W / A N.A. REV			$12	
	A.N.A. S LVER HAMMERED MEDAL			$15	
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	1787 BRASHER DOUBLOON EB ON WING 26.5 GRAMS 22K GOLD			$435	
	1787 BRASHER DOUBLOON EB ON BREAST 26.5 GRAMS 22K GOLD			$ 35	
	1787 BRASHER HALF DOUBLOON 3.25 GRAMS 22K GOLD			$225	

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	2003 HOBO TOKEN (STYLE 1) SILVER INDIAN HEAD VE (ELEPHANT" REVERSE			$12	
	2003 HOBO TOKEN (STYLE 2) SILVER IRON LAND S FORTRA T W FUFFALO REV			$12	

ANCIENT REPRODUCTIONS

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	1794 HALF DIME (FLOWING HAIR TYPE)				$16	
	1794 HALF DOLLAR (FLOWING HAIR TYPE)				$27	
	1794 DOLLAR (FLOWING HAIR TYPE)				$38	
	1794 UNCIRCULATED SET IN DISPLAY BOX COMPLETE 5 PIECE BOXED SET				$112	
	1794 PROOF SET LIMITED EDITION OF 94 SETS				$165	

UNCIRCULATED 1796 REPRODUCTIONS

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	1796 HALF CENT (W/POLE)				$12	
	1796 HALF CENT (NO POLE)				$12	
	1796 LIBERTY CAP CENT				$12	
	1796 DRAPED BUST CENT				$12	
	1796 HALF DIME				$18	
	1796 DIME				$19	
	1796 QUARTER DOLLAR				$22	
	1796 HALF DOLLAR (15 STARS)				$27	
	1796 HALF DOLLAR (13 STARS)				$27	
	1796 SILVER DOLLAR				$36	
	1796 QUARTER EAGLE (NO STARS)				$199	
	1796 QUARTER EAGLE (W/STARS)				$149	
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